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**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A DRAFT SUPPLEMENTAL
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC REVIEW
OF A GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT**

February 1, 2013

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County of San Diego is circulating for public review a draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act and General Plan Amendment for the following project(s). The draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report and General Plan Amendment can be reviewed on the World Wide Web at http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/pds/cega_public_review.html and at the Planning & Development Services (PDS), Project Processing Counter, 5510 Overland Avenue, Suite 110, San Diego, California 92123. Comments on these draft documents must be sent to the PDS address listed above and should reference the project numbers and name.

**GPA 12-004; SCH NO. 2012081082; FOREST CONSERVATION INITIATIVE (FCI)
LANDS GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT (GPA)**

The proposed Project is a GPA to revise the existing land use designations on certain private lands within the unincorporated area of the County. The lands that will be affected by this GPA are primarily those lands that were subject to the FCI which was in place from 1993 through 2010. These lands, totaling approximately 75,000 acres, are located in and around the Cleveland National Forest and within many County unincorporated community planning areas (CPAs) and subregional planning areas. In addition, the Project involves proposed changes in land use designations for approximately 400 acres of private lands adjacent to former FCI lands to ensure that the uses anticipated for these lands are consistent with the changes proposed for the former FCI lands. Changes to the Mobility Element are anticipated as part of the Project because proposed land use changes in Alpine will result in associated impacts to ten road segments that will either need an increase in the number of travel lanes or will need to be accepted to operate at

a deficient Level of Service (LOS). The GPA will also include amendments to the Alpine Community Plan as well as the Jamul/Dulzura, Central Mountain and North Mountain Subregional Plans. Removal of the Forest Conservation Initiative Appendix from the General Plan is also part of the proposed GPA. Finally, the Project will include amendments to the Zoning Ordinance, such that new zoning designations would be adopted to be consistent with the GPA.

The areas affected by the proposed Project are located in the following communities: Alpine CPA; Central Mountain Subregion (including the communities of Cuyamaca, Descanso, and Pine Valley); Desert Subregion; Jamul/Dulzura Subregion; Julian CPA; Mountain Empire Subregion (including the community of Campo/Lake Morena); North Mountain Subregion (including Palomar Mountain); Pendleton/De Luz CPA; and Ramona CPA. More information on the proposed Project, including the *Existing* and *Draft* (Proposed) General Plan Land Use Distribution Maps for these areas, is available at <http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/pds/advance/FCI.html>.

The draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (SEIR) is intended to supplement the General Plan Update Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) which was certified on August 3, 2011. The General Plan Update PEIR excluded the FCI lands from its analysis since the FCI initiative was still in effect at the time the PEIR was prepared. The previously certified PEIR is available at <http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/pds/gpupdate/environmental.html>. The draft SEIR identifies significant environmental impacts to Aesthetics, Agricultural and Forestry Resources, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Cultural and Paleontological Resources, Hazards, Hydrology and Water Quality, Land Use, Mineral Resources, Noise, Public Services, Recreation, Transportation and Traffic, Utilities and Service Systems, and Climate Change. ***The development project and any alternatives proposed in this application are contained on the lists compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code including but not limited to list of hazardous waste facilities and land designated as hazardous waste disposal sites.***

Comments on this proposed draft SEIR and GPA must be received no later than **March 18, 2013** at 4:00 p.m. (a 45 day public review period). For additional information, please contact Mindy Fogg at (858) 694-3831 or by e-mail at mindy.fogg@sdcounty.ca.gov.